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By ECF & Email

Honorable Allyne R. Ross
United States District Judge
Eastern District of New York
225 Cadman Plaza East
Brooklyn, NY 11201

Re: *United States v. Russo, et al.*, 21 Cr. 466 (ARR)

Dear Judge Ross:

I represent Mr. Benjamin Castellazzo in the above-referenced matter. As I will not be in the Eastern District of New York on May 20, 2022, I ask that associate counsel Kestine Thiele be permitted to stand in for me at the arraignment scheduled for 9 A.M. and status conference scheduled for 11 A.M. Mr. Castellazzo consents to this application.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

Jennifer R. Louis-Jeune